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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits this preliminary amendment and remarks.

In the Specification:

On page 1, prior to the section entitled Field of the Invention, please insert the following paragraph:

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This application claims the benefit of and claims priority to U.S. provisional patent application 60/255,858, entitled "Disk Controller Providing for the Auto-Transfer of Host-Requested-Data from a Cache Memory Within a Disk Memory System" and filed on December 15, 2000, which application is hereby incorporated by reference.